

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01957-CRC**

LEOPOLD et al v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY

Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/21/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/21/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5651242) filed by JASON LEOPOLD, BUZZFEED INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits A – C, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 08/21/2018)
08/21/2018	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 08/21/2018)
08/21/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (zmd) (Entered: 08/24/2018)
08/27/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Main Document 3 replaced on 8/31/2018) (zmd). (Entered: 08/27/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY served on 9/14/2018 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 09/26/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/18/2018. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 09/26/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/18/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/18/2018. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 09/26/2018)
10/05/2018	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua M. Kolsky on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 10/05/2018)
10/05/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.(Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 10/05/2018)
10/09/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by October 23, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/9/2018. (lccrc2) (Entered: 10/09/2018)
10/09/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 10/23/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 10/09/2018)
10/18/2018	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Lynn Schafer on behalf of BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Schafer, Matthew) (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/23/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 10/23/2018)

10/25/2018		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>10</u> joint status report, the parties shall submit an updated joint status report on or before December 21, 2018, and every 60 days thereafter until production is complete. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/25/2018. (lccrc2) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
10/25/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/21/2018. (znbn) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
12/21/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 12/21/2018)
12/26/2018	<u>12</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Paul Cirino on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY Substituting for attorney Joshua M. Kolsky (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 12/26/2018)
02/19/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 02/19/2019)
02/28/2019	<u>14</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD. Attorney Matthew Lynn Schafer terminated. (Schafer, Matthew) (Entered: 02/28/2019)
03/25/2019	<u>15</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 03/25/2019)
04/19/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 04/19/2019)
06/18/2019	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 06/18/2019)
08/06/2019	<u>18</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 08/06/2019)
08/15/2019	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 08/15/2019)